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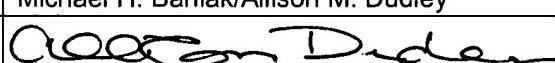
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL		Application Number 10/090,685
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		Group Art Unit 3711
		Examiner Name Vishu K. Mendiratta
		Attorney Docket Number 2100/24

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This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

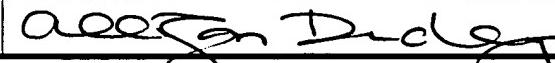
1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).
 - a. Previously submitted. If a final Office Action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office Action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
 - i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - ii. Other: _____
 - b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s): _____
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other: Petition for 2 mo. Extension (+duplicate) and check for \$430.00
2. **Miscellaneous**
 - a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)
 - b. Other: _____
3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 38 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
 - a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0930.
 - i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) \$790.00
 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) \$430.00
 - iii. Other: Any deficiencies in the enclosed fees
 - b. Checks in the amounts of \$790.00 and \$430 enclosed
 - c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name (Print/Type)	Michael H. Baniak/Allison M. Dudley	Reg. No.	30,608/50,545
Signature		Date	December 2, 2004

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